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HOUSE BILL 110

56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2024

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AN ACT

RELATING TO ABORTION; LIMITING THE PERFORMANCE OF CERTAIN ABORTIONS BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS; IMPOSING PENALTIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Criminal Code is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN ABORTIONS.--

A health care provider who knowingly performs an abortion and thereby kills a human fetus without determining, according to standard medical practice, whether the fetus has a detectable heartbeat; without informing the pregnant woman of the results of that determination; or after determining, according to standard medical practice, that the fetus has a heartbeat is guilty of a third degree felony resulting in the death of a human fetus.

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B. A health care provider who fails to follow the				
procedures pursuant to Subsection A of this section shall be				
deemed to have breached the duty of care to the patient.				
C. Nothing in this section shall prevent the				
patient from exhausting any other available remedies.				
D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to				
allow the prosecution of a woman who receives an abortion."				
SECTION 2. Section 31-18-15 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1977,				
Chapter 216, Section 4, as amended) is amended to read:				
"31-18-15. SENTENCING AUTHORITYNONCAPITAL FELONIES				
BASIC SENTENCES AND FINESPAROLE AUTHORITYMERITORIOUS				
DEDUCTIONS				
A. As used in a statute that establishes a				
noncapital felony, the following defined felony classifications				
and associated basic sentences of imprisonment are as follows:				
FELONY CLASSIFICATION BASIC SENTENCE				
first degree felony				
resulting in the death				
of a child life imprisonment				
first degree felony for				
aggravated criminal sexual				
penetration life imprisonment				
first degree felony eighteen years imprisonment				
second degree felony				
resulting in the death of				
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1	a human being	fifteen years imprisonment
2	second degree felony for a	
3	sexual offense against a	
4	child	fifteen years imprisonment
5	second degree felony for	
6	sexual exploitation of	
7	children	twelve years imprisonment
8	second degree felony	nine years imprisonment
9	third degree felony resulting	
10	in the death of a human fetus	five years imprisonment
11	third degree felony resulting	
12	in the death of a human being	six years imprisonment
13	third degree felony for a	
14	sexual offense against a	
15	child	six years imprisonment
16	third degree felony for sexual	
17	exploitation of children	eleven years imprisonment
18	third degree felony	three years imprisonment
19	fourth degree felony for	
20	sexual exploitation of	
21	children	ten years imprisonment
22	fourth degree felony	eighteen months imprisonment.
23	B. The appropriate b	pasic sentence of imprisonment

B. The appropriate basic sentence of imprisonment shall be imposed upon a person convicted and sentenced pursuant to Subsection A of this section, unless the court alters the .226384.1

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sentence pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Sentencing Act.

- A period of parole shall be imposed only for felony convictions wherein a person is sentenced to imprisonment of more than one year, unless the parties to a proceeding agree that a period of parole should be imposed. Ιf a period of parole is imposed, the court shall include in the judgment and sentence of each person convicted and sentenced to imprisonment in a corrections facility designated by the corrections department authority for a period of parole to be served in accordance with the provisions of Section 31-21-10 NMSA 1978 after the completion of any actual time of imprisonment and authority to require, as a condition of parole, the payment of the costs of parole services and reimbursement to a law enforcement agency or local crime stopper program in accordance with the provisions of that section. If imposed, the period of parole shall be deemed to be part of the sentence of the convicted person in addition to the basic sentence imposed pursuant to Subsection A of this section together with alterations, if any, pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Sentencing Act.
- D. When a court imposes a sentence of imprisonment pursuant to the provisions of Section 31-18-15.1, 31-18-16 or 31-18-17 NMSA 1978 and suspends or defers the basic sentence of imprisonment provided pursuant to the provisions of Subsection .226384.1

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A of this section, the period of parole shall be served in accordance with the provisions of Section 31-21-10 NMSA 1978 for the degree of felony for the basic sentence for which the inmate was convicted. For the purpose of designating a period of parole, a court shall not consider that the basic sentence of imprisonment was suspended or deferred and that the inmate served a period of imprisonment pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Sentencing Act.

- The court may, in addition to the imposition of a basic sentence of imprisonment, impose a fine not to exceed:
- (1) for a first degree felony resulting in the death of a child, seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500);
- (2) for a first degree felony for aggravated criminal sexual penetration, seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500);
- for a first degree felony, fifteen (3) thousand dollars (\$15,000);
- for a second degree felony resulting in the death of a human being, twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500);
- for a second degree felony for a sexual (5) offense against a child, twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500);
- for a second degree felony for sexual .226384.1

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- (7) for a second degree felony, ten thousand dollars (\$10,000);
- (8) for a third degree felony resulting in the death of a human being, five thousand dollars (\$5,000);
- (9) for a third degree felony for a sexual offense against a child, five thousand dollars (\$5,000);
- (10) for a third degree felony for sexual exploitation of children, five thousand dollars (\$5,000);
- (11) for a third or fourth degree felony, five thousand dollars (\$5,000); or
- (12) for a fourth degree felony for sexual exploitation of children, five thousand dollars (\$5,000).
- F. When the court imposes a sentence of imprisonment for a felony offense, the court shall indicate whether or not the offense is a serious violent offense as defined in Section 33-2-34 NMSA 1978. The court shall inform an offender that the offender's sentence of imprisonment is subject to the provisions of Sections 33-2-34, 33-2-36, 33-2-37 and 33-2-38 NMSA 1978. If the court fails to inform an offender that the offender's sentence is subject to those provisions or if the court provides the offender with erroneous information regarding those provisions, the failure to inform or the error shall not provide a basis for a writ of habeas corpus.

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No later than October 31 of each year, the New Mexico sentencing commission shall provide a written report to the secretary of corrections, all New Mexico criminal court judges, the administrative office of the district attorneys and the chief public defender. The report shall specify the average reduction in the sentence of imprisonment for serious violent offenses and nonviolent offenses, as defined in Section 33-2-34 NMSA 1978, due to meritorious deductions earned by prisoners during the previous fiscal year pursuant to the provisions of Sections 33-2-34, 33-2-36, 33-2-37 and 33-2-38 The corrections department shall allow the commission access to documents used by the department to determine earned meritorious deductions for prisoners."

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